Meeting of CABE

705. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a meeting of the Central Advisory Board for Education (CABE) was held on 14-15 July, 2005;

(b) if so, the items of agenda discussed at the meeting;

(c) the decisions taken at the meeting; and

(d) the measures taken to implement the above decisions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD.ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) and (b) A meeting of Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) wad held on 14-15 July, 2005 at New Delhi to discuss the reports of the following seven CABE committees:—

(i) Free and Compulsory Education Bill and other issues related to Elementary Education

(ii) Girls Education and the Common School System

(iii) Universalisation of Secondary Education

(iv) Autonomy of Higher Education Institution

(v) Integration of Culture Education in the School Curriculum

(vi) Regulatory Mechanism for the Text Books and parallel text books taught in schools outside the Government

(vii) Financing of the Higher and Technical Education

(c) and (d) The action points emerging from all these reports are being identified and a road map prepared for acting on them in a time bound manner. Further, in pursuance of the deliberations in the meeting of the Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE) held on 14-15 July, 2005, it has been decided to constitute three Standing Committees of CABE on the subjects of (i) 'Inclusive Education for Children and Youth with Special Needs', (ii) 'Literacy and Adult Education to guide the National Literacy Mission' and (iii) 'Integration and Coordination of Efforts for Children's Development'.